

## I. N. LYNCH

**WILL LEAD  
IN LOW PRICES.  
OTHERS MAY FOLLOW**

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| 100 lbs. Dandy Flour.....      | \$ .85 |
| 40 lbs. English Currants.....  | 1.00   |
| 22 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....  | 1.00   |
| 24 lbs. Light Brown Sugar..... | 1.00   |
| 26 lbs. Brown Sugar.....       | 1.00   |
| 1 can Tomatoes.....            | .05    |
| 1 can Corn.....                | .05    |
| 35 lbs. Rolled Oats.....       | 1.00   |
| 1 lb. Sledge Tobacco.....      | .20    |

The best line of  
**T T T T T T**  
in town, and the  
**LOWEST PRICES.**

New Era Extracts at Noble's.  
Parties wishing lots at the cemetery cleaned and fixed up should call on J. M. English.

The finest line of Ladies' and Gents' Neckwear ever shown in Baxter at  
**WRIGHT'S.**

Look in another column for Dr. Ashley's price list. Prices conformable to the hard times.

Table Cutlery and Child's Sets for sale by Chas. F. Noble, agent.

Ed. Hodgkins is having the interior of his dwelling house on River street painted and papered this week.

**WALL PAPER—FIVE THOUSAND ROLLS—NEW PATTERNS, NEW COLORS, NEW DESIGNS, NO OLD STOCK—ALL NEW AT MCGREGOR'S.**

If you want to save money buy your Dry Goods of  
**J. M. COOPER.**

Jake Stotler, the veteran newspaper man of Kansas, has engaged in the hotel business at West Plains, Mo.

**CHEAP GROCERIES!**  
We are not quoting prices, but if you want new and fresh Groceries call and see our stock and buy of us. Seed Potatoes a specialty.  
**LOU H. MCKICKLE.**

**EXTRACTS** in small or large lots! Best on earth! If you want bulk extracts bring your bottle and get what you want.  
**CHAS. F. NOBLE, Agent.**

**VEAL CALVES WANTED.**  
I will advance the price on veal calves because I want them. Bring them along.  
**J. A. SOUK.**

**J. M. COOPER** is the leader in low prices. We make the prices and sell the goods, too.  
**ALL OTHERS FOLLOW.**

**CEDAR STREET GROCERY.**  
I have moved my goods to the Frank Perkins property on Cedar street where I will continue in the grocery business. Your patronage is respectfully solicited.  
**W. E. TYNER.**

New Era Extracts for sale by  
**CHAS. F. NOBLE, Agent.**

Bruner & Reddin have enlarged their store room and now have one of the best rooms in the city.

**Remember**  
That the McCormick Mowers and Harvesting Machines received the highest honors at the World's Columbian Exposition. Better examine these machines before buying others.  
**T. B. MCELHINEY & SON, Agents.**

**BARB WIRE** Glidden pattern at \$2.50 cash.  
**MCELHINEY & SON.**

C. A. Markland transacted business in Columbus Monday.

**FRESH BREAD** every day at  
**CAPITO'S CITY BAKERY.**

Prof. Bowman and wife went to Labette county yesterday to visit.

**WALL PAPER! WALL PAPER!**  
All new Patterns in complete sets of Side Walls, Ceilings and Decorations at McGREGOR'S.

W. S. Harvey of Kansas City is visiting relatives and friends in this city this week.

Don't forget that I am doing all first class dental work at hard times prices. Call on me and I will save you money. Full sets of teeth \$15.  
**E. D. ASHLEY, Dentist,**  
South side square, Columbus, Kan.

McAboy, Meads & Naylor shipped hogs to Kansas City again Tuesday.

Complete line of ladies' muslin underwear at J. M. Cooper's.

We have a large assortment of Flower Pots that we are closing out at one-half cost price. Call early.  
**MCELHINEY & SON.**

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian church will give a strawberry, ice cream and cake festival Friday evening, May 18, in the Honor building.

Hicks says there will be an unusual number of atmospheric disturbances in June and July with destructive cyclones, hurricanes and tornadoes. These electrical dispensations of a kind providence can be counteracted by insuring with Daniels, who is agent for the standard old line reliable companies. Let the wild cats alone and get into companies which have stood the storms for fifty years without squeaking.

There is a mine near Joplin which is called "The Hell on Earth."

I have just received a very fine and complete line of Tinware. In this stock is to be found some new and very desirable goods. My prices on them, quality considered, are surprisingly low.  
**J. J. FRIBLEY.**

The Joplin Sunday closing ordinance, relating to parks and theatres, was defeated last week by a vote of five to four.

For screen doors and screen wire see my stock and get my prices.  
**J. J. FRIBLEY.**

**WONDERFUL! WONDERFUL!**  
Summer Hats arriving daily at Mrs. Stark's store. Ladies, call and see before buying. Also a line of Children's Hats and Caps cheap for cash.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Brumbaugh of Des Moines, Iowa, arrived in the city Wednesday evening to visit friends. Mr. Brumbaugh was at one time engaged in the grocery business here.

Genuine Glidden wire is stronger and better, and makes ten to twenty rods more to the hundred pounds than any other wire made. For sale in Baxter Springs only by  
**J. J. FRIBLEY.**

The Webb City Register says: "Col. J. W. Campbell went to Kansas Friday morning to look up a location for a Populist paper." The colonel is quite well known in this city.

If the early frosts knocked out your prospects for oats, sow your ground to sorghum or millet. J. J. Fribley has a big lot of new, fresh seed.

Frank W. Doughty of Galena, formerly of this city, is under arrest at the former place charged with assault with intent to kill.

Boys' two-piece sailor suits at Cooper's for \$1. Ages three to thirteen.

Katie Turner was arrested Monday by Marshal Gill for fighting and was fined \$1 and costs.

Mrs. W. W. Jones has just received an elegant line of Summer Millinery in the latest styles and designs. Her hats are beauties.

We have a few extra fine hand-forged Pocket Knives which we will sell cheap and warrant.  
**CHAS. F. NOBLE, Agent.**

We have received our spring stock of Quick Meal Gasoline Stoves, and they are beauties. Call and look at them.  
**MCELHINEY & SON.**

J. F. McDowell, who published a paper in this city many years ago, is now publishing the Mississippi Populist at Cumberland, Miss.

Beautiful styles in dress gingham only 5c per yard can be found only at J. M. Cooper's.

A wheat elevator with a capacity of 150,000 bushels is being erected at Seneca.

Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday at M. E. church.  
**REV. A. A. HORSER, Pastor.**

All the new novelties in cotton wash dress goods just received at J. M. Cooper's.

"Married for Money" was played at Seneca last Friday night by Mr. and Mrs. W. Carl Caldwell.

We have a few sizes of Steel Cut Nails that we are selling at 2c per pound, or \$1.75 a keg. These prices won't last long.  
**MCELHINEY & SON.**

Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Bramhall have rented the L. P. Gage place west of the city and will continue to reside here.

Wright's is the only place where you will find real bargains.

Mrs. W. L. Cavanaugh of Weir City visited relatives and friends in this city last week.

Remember, we are agents for the celebrated McCormick Self-Blinders and Mowers, the best on earth.  
**MCELHINEY & SON.**

The shops of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railroad Company will be located at Pittsburg. Baxter Springs ought to have had that road, and the shops, too, and but for one man she might have had them.

Ladies' Shirt Waists in endless variety at J. M. Cooper's.

**Ice Cream!**  
Sunday Henry Ohlen will have on hand a lot of delicious ice cream.

All children under eight years of age will be excluded from the public schools of Kansas City, Kansas, next year because of insufficient accommodations. An exchange very sensibly remarks that it would be better for the children and schools everywhere if all were excluded under that age.

Dr. Reynolds has a good fresh milk cow for sale.

Mrs. Minnie Schuck, who keeps a lunch counter and refreshment stand opposite the postoffice, was arrested by Marshal Gill Monday charged with violating Ordinance No. 73, which is intended to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors. She was taken before Police Judge J. M. English where she pleaded not guilty and was placed under \$100 bond for her appearance on Tuesday, May 15. Julius Bischofsberger went on her bond. On the day set for trial neither side was ready and the case was continued until next Monday.

**LIGHT DRAYING DONE DAY OR NIGHT BY MAC GILL.**

Dr. J. W. Reynolds was in attendance at a meeting of the Southwest Missouri Medical Association at Carthage last Tuesday.

The Kansas City Journal has been so fortunate as to make arrangements with the publishers of the Century War Book to furnish that famous publication to its subscribers, in twenty parts, at ten cents and one coupon for each part. It can be obtained only in this way. Part one will be sent to any one who will send this clipping and ten cents.

## THE RACKET STORE.

We have enlarged our shelving capacity and increased our stock and are, therefore, now better prepared to wait on our customers than we have been at any time since we located here. We make no special inducements in the way of  
**SACRIFICE SALES.**

Our low prices are for every day in the week. We thank our patrons who have, in the past, so liberally patronized us and we hope that in the future we will be better able to please them, as well as all new ones who may see fit to give us a share of their trade.  
**Respectfully,  
BRUNER & REDDIN.**

The last meeting of the Blue Mound Republican Club was held May 3. A good sized crowd was in attendance notwithstanding the threatening appearance of the weather. Mr. C. A. Markland presented the different questions of the day and in a clear and logical manner explained the doings of the present congress, and its inconsistencies with the pledges and promises of the Chicago platform. C. W. Daniels followed with one of his happiest and characteristic speeches, in which he related his experience as a farmer and the financial trouble he was in through taking the advice and pointers of his friend, J. P. Hartley, and ending with a stirring appeal to the patriotism, the love of old glory and the plain duty of all American citizens in the coming campaign. Wm. Callis was elected corresponding secretary of the club. The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, May 17. Speakers will be on hand. All are cordially invited and a general good time is guaranteed.  
**COR. SEC.**

**THE OPEN ICE CREAM SEASON WILL AT H. OHLEN'S.**  
There is a better prospect for a big corn crop in this country right now than has been seen in ten years before. The stand is almost perfect and the young plants are growing as fast as they possibly can.

**CO**  
Overalls, Shirts and Pants at J. J. Osborn's.  
Why is it that corn is worth as much in Baxter Springs as it is in New York City?  
Don't waste any time hunting for what you want. Wright's have it.

**TO**  
See our ladies' Oxford shoe at 50c. It is a hummer.  
**JOHN M. COOPER.**

Jeff Ross, a member of the colored "400" of this city, is working on the streets this week to pay the tax on four ugly little hounds which he is the proud possessor of. He had six, but Marshal Gill sent two of them to the happy hunting grounds a few days ago.  
More nice dress goods at Wright's than at all the other stores combined.

**WRIGHT'S**  
The largest and finest varieties of Candies at C. Capito's Bakery.  
John Jones and Marshal Gill were in Galena Monday on official business.

Dr. Reynolds has just received a fine case of instruments and medicines for his specialty practice.

**FOR**  
Men's square cut chevrot suits at Cooper's for \$4.50. Best ever shown in this city for the money.

Shelton French and family departed Tuesday for Parsons, Kan.

Mrs. A. W. Abrams of the Quapaw reserve is taking in the mid-winter fair at San Francisco, California, and rusticated for the benefit of her health.

**YOUR**  
County Attorney W. J. Moore was in the city Monday morning on business.

We have a full line of children's shoes, just in. We start 'em at 25c.  
**J. M. COOPER.**

Several of our young bloods are beginning to squirm. In fact they have been squirming all the week.  
**GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!**  
For Farmers, For Driving, For Hay Men, For Everybody  
**CHEAP AT OSBORN'S.**

The normal and business college will be ready for inspection by the first of July.

**CARPETS.**  
Willis McKinney of Galena was in town Tuesday on business.

N. L. Karr and family pulled into Baxter Monday evening on their return from Oklahoma where they proved up on a claim and rented it. They will occupy the old place east of town for a time.

### KANSAS JUSTICE.

Our citizens are generally aware that two young lads were arrested this week charged with rape, for which crime a penalty has been provided under the statutes of Kansas which may send them to the penitentiary from five to twenty-one years. It is very proper that the penalty for rape should be very severe, but in this case there was no rape, as the two girls implicated in the case are not susceptible of the crime and affirm that the boys made no such attempt, yet the boys are liable under the present law to the full penalty, and, however innocent may have to suffer.

The law provides that any one having illicit intercourse with a female under the age of 18 years commits rape and the character of such female shall not be inquired into. She may have led a life of shame for years and be the vilest of the vile, yet there shall be no mitigation of circumstances, and what in any other state in the Union would be simply a misdemeanor, in Kansas becomes a felony. The old blue laws of Connecticut are lenient compared to some of those on the statute books of Kansas.

We blame all who are connected with this infamous proceeding, from the county attorney down. No such charges should have been considered and no warrant issued in this case. The character of the complaining witness and the girls is well known and it is generally understood by our citizens who are familiar with the case that it was either a blackmailing scheme or a move for fees. No sane jurymen or judge would give a verdict against these boys and we do not believe they can possibly be found guilty, but we protest against such proceedings. No man's liberty and reputation should be jeopardized for the sake of a few paltry dollars in fees even though authorized by one of the infamous laws of Kansas.

What we need is a new constitution and a new set of laws framed by men of intelligence, more in conformity with civilization and Christianity, and a repeal of all those laws which foster blackmailing, perjury, deception and fraud. The exemption law should be done away with, the prohibitory law wiped out and high license substituted, and the age of consent raised to 35 years, but the character of the female should be inquired into.

A misdemeanor should be classed as a misdemeanor, and a rape as a rape with the fullest penalty attached. We do not endorse the Breckinridge platform by any means, but we do believe in the protection of our boys, even though enticed by blackmailers or led astray by common women of the town.

The boys above referred to are Harry Doty and Harvey Chapman and the complainant is one Hattie Wathen, who claims to be the mother of one of the girls. The girls alleged to have been raped are Dottie Wathen and Loda Williams, who claim to be under the age of 18 years. The woman, Hattie Wathen, and Dottie Wathen were run out of Columbus about a year ago on account of their lewd conduct and the fact was published in the Columbus papers. They came to Baxter and it has been predicted for some time that they would get into trouble. The other girl has not been here very long, but if both of them are not lewd females they should take in their signs.

Doty and Chapman were taken before Justice of the Peace A. Macdonald where they pleaded not guilty and were placed under \$300 bond each for their appearance for preliminary examination on the 17th inst. Doty gave bond with J. G. Polster, Horace Austin and J. A. Sour as sureties. Chapman failed to give bond and was committed to jail.

Perhaps some of our readers will say that we should have said nothing about this matter, but such things need ventilation. Legal talent has been employed to defend the boys and the case will be fought to a hard finish.

**HAVE NO FEAR.**  
The Joplin News says "the new fish law of Kansas has a tendency to keep a great many sports away from Baxter Springs, as they do not care to test it, although the attorney general says it will not hang together."

The Joplin News is in error. It is not a new law, but a new fish commissioner, who is not very well "on to his job." There is no law on the statutes of Kansas which will prevent a person from fishing with rod, hook and line whenever he chooses. Come right along, you Joplin people. Spring river was on a high the first of the week and as soon as it runs down fishing will be first class.

Section 2, chapter 108 of the session laws of 1889 says: "It shall be unlawful to catch, or attempt to catch, or to kill any black bass, croppies, perch, or wall-eyed pike, by means of any drag-net, gill-net, drift-net, trammel-net, seine, fish-pot, set-net, wire-pond, or any device whatever, except by rod, line and hook."

**Harried Lady's Secret.**  
Write to the A. & B. Mfg. Co., Carrollton, Mo., lock box 881, sending 2 stamps for particulars, or 50-cent postal note, and get a "French Lady's Secret." It is the only sure preventive, put up in a package secure from searching eyes. Harmless; easy to use; never fails.

The largest stock of Wall Paper in the county at McGREGOR'S.

## The Prescription Druggists.

**McFadden & Price.**

We give you more for your money than any other firm in Kansas

**Our Drugs are Always Fresh and Pure**  
and we will compound your prescriptions carefully day or night. Our assortment of Patent Medicines includes all the leading brands, and we will gladly procure for you anything we haven't in stock.

**Paints, Oils and Window Glass.**

We handle the best brands of White Lead and Linseed Oil, and the National Tinting Colors, which are conceded to be the best colors on the market. We have any shade or tint you may want. We have a large stock of Window Glass and we will cut any size you want. Mirrors and Plate Glass we do not carry in stock, but can secure anything you want in this line at very low prices.

**Wall Paper and Window Shades.**

Our new invoice of Wall Paper is the handsomest you ever saw. The assortment is large and the prices cheaper than ever. We have some of the Hoose stock yet which we are closing out at from 3c to 20c per bolt (double roll). Think of it! Enough paper to cover a good sized room for 25c or 30c. Our new Window Shades are beautiful. Come in and see them. We have a few left from the Hoose stock which he sold for \$1 and \$1.50. We only ask 25c complete, ready to hang.

**The "Honest John" Truss.**

This is the best Truss in the world, and if it does not give the wearer satisfaction we will return him his money. If you are needing a truss you cannot afford to miss seeing the Honest John.

We have a large stock of Rubber Goods and Shoulder Braces at prices that are surprisingly low. Our stock of Fine Perfumes, Toilet Soaps and Toilet Articles, Chamois Skins and Sponges is complete.

**Sporting Goods and Hammocks.**

We are the leaders in this line, as well as in others. We carry the largest stock of Fishing Tackle in the state and can sell it at less than wholesale prices. Hammocks—some beauties—from 50c up. Base Balls and Bats—piles of them—at prices that any boy can buy them.

**School Books and Stationery.**

This department is complete and contains all the School Books used in this territory, all kinds of plain and fancy Tablets and Stationery and all kinds of books and reading matter. Subscriptions taken for everything that is printed. COME AND SEE US.

**McFADDEN & PRICE.**

The seventh annual convention of the Kansas Christian Endeavor Societies will be held in Topeka on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 24, 25, 26 and 27.

The animals are certainly stirred up.

**5,000 ROLLS**

A number of our citizens witnessed the ceremonies attending the laying of the corner stone of the Joplin court house on Tuesday of this week.

Ira C. Perkins returned Saturday night from a business trip to New York City.

**NEW PATTERNS**

L. Murray Perkins, who is in New York City on business, will return home in a few days.

The Springs Hotel now sports one of the finest writing desks in the country. It was made by Richard Callis and contains twenty-two advertisements of business houses of Baxter Springs which were painted by Louis Rossman, world's fair artist.

**CEILINGS,**

Military street was cleaned up Tuesday. Some gravel is needed badly on the east side of that street between Neosho and River streets.

Mrs. Wm. Stark is having the front of her store building painted this week.

Let the good work go on—the killing of dogs.

**SIDE WALLS,**

The Joplin News says it is rumored that the next time Lewelling is elected governor of Kansas the election will take place on the 30th of February.

Girard now boasts of a population of 3,500. Girard is a good town and her people all work together.

**BORDERS,**

The negro coal miners who came from Alabama to take the places of the strikers at Weir City and Pittsburg, are now returning to Alabama to take the places of strikers.

On next Sunday morning at the Methodist church there will be a sermon especially for children. Old people are also invited to attend.

**DECORATIONS,**

Less than three weeks until Decoration day.  
The Fourth of July celebration at Baxter Springs will be a hummer. Don't fail to remember this.

Mrs. R. B. English visited her sister, Mrs. T. J. Shelton, in Cartersville this week.

**AT MCGREGOR'S.**

Mrs. M. W. Hutchinson of Kansas City visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Henley, this week.

Shirting for 3/4c at Wright's.

Ladies' Dongola Button, Square Toe, Patent Leather Tip Shoes at Cooper's for \$1.50. A regular \$2 shoe for only \$1.50.

Prof. J. H. Browning, who is associated with Prof. Bowman in the college matter, will remove from Webb City to Baxter about the last of this month.

There is nothing I have ever used for muscular rheumatism that gives me as much relief as Chamberlain's Pain Balm does. I have been using it for about two years—four bottles in all—as occasion required, and always keep a bottle of it in my home. I believe I know a good thing when I get hold of it, and Pain Balm is the best liniment I have ever met with.—W. B. Denny, dairyman, New Lexington, Ohio. 50-cent bottles for sale by McFadden & Price.

Territory chattel mortgages and blank notes for sale at this office.

**Piles and Fistula**

**CURED at home WITHOUT PAIN!**

All forms of Rectal Diseases treated by a new and painless method.  
**No Cure, No Pay!**  
For terms call on or address

**Dr. J. W. REYNOLDS,**  
Baxter Springs, Kansas.

**J. M. COOPER, AND LIVERY FEED,**

**Bus and Transfer Barn.**

**Calls Promptly Answered.**

Leave orders by mail or at the barn, just west of Baxter Bank.  
**FRANK HENSTREET, Manager.**

**New Lou H. McKickle**

has opened a new Grocery Store in the Investment Co. building north of Polster's corner. Your patronage solicited.

**J. H. GARRETT, Livery, Feed and Sale Stable,**

Half block east of Baxter Bank, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

**GOOD WAGON YARD AND SHEDS.**